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Summer Reading Kickoff Party

Friday, May 24
1 PM-6 PM

Spencer Public Library

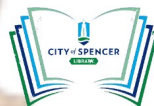
Sign up for the 2024 Spencer Public Library Summer Reading Program **Read, Renew, Repeat!** Log the minutes you read this summer and enter to win fantastic prizes. Join us weekly for all kinds of different programs - whether focused on children, teens, adults, or families, there's something for everyone at Spencer Public Library!

Popcorn Bar

Collaborative Art Project

Teen & Adult Art Show Supply Pick Up

Kids & Teens Book Giveaway



UPCOMING EVENTS

MAY

BANNED BOOK DISCUSSION

COFFEE & CONVERSATION

TECH TALKS:
INTERNET SECURITY

SUMMER READING
KICKOFF PARTY

HAPPY MEMORIAL DAY
WE ARE CLOSED
MONDAY, MAY 27TH



HOURS

MONDAY THROUGH THURSDAY:
FRIDAY AND SATURDAY:
SUNDAY:

9:00 AM TO 8:00 PM
9:00 AM TO 5:00 PM
CLOSED



KIDS

STORYTIME

TUESDAYS AT 10:00 AM



Join us each week as we explore a different theme through stories, songs, and rhymes! Storytimes support healthy, whole-child development and foster early literacy and social-emotional skills that are essential for reading readiness. Storytime is a great first group experience for children and an opportunity for adults to connect with others in our community.



PLAYDOUGH PLAY TIME

Saturday, May 18
10-11 AM

Shape, create, or just get messy! A variety of playdough, tools, and mats will all be available during this program. This is a fun, sensory playtime to foster creativity and exploration. Perfect for ages 2-5, but all ages are welcome!



LEGOS @ THE LIBRARY

Saturday, May 18
2:00-4:00 PM Come-n-Go

We've got the bricks, just bring your imagination! Try your hand at different build challenges or create whatever you want.

1,000 BOOKS BEFORE KINDERGARTEN

The library is excited to partner with #SpencerReads for this free self-paced program that encourages you to read aloud with your child.

Here's how it works:

1. Register at spencerlibrary.beanstack.com/ to create your account. If you prefer a low-tech version, ask for a paper log at the front desk.
1. Log your books as you go. As you reach each milestone, you'll receive rewards.



2024 SUMMER READING PROGRAM



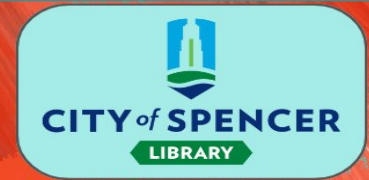
Kick-Off Event & Book Giveaway

FRIDAY, MAY 24 ALL AGES
1:00 pm-6:00pm Come-&-Go

Register for our 2024 Summer Reading Program and pick up your event calendars. Create your own popcorn treat, decorate a piece of our collaborative art project, and checkout materials to kickoff your summer reading. Kids and teens can also pick a book to keep.

Note: Participants can register after May 24th by going to <https://spencerlibrary.beanstack.org> or stopping at the library.

May Teen Events



SPLAM:

ORIGAMI STAR JARS

LGTBQ+ & Allies Group

Saturday, May 11 @ 2:00 PM

JUST WRITE

All Ages Open Writing Group

Tuesdays @ 5:30 PM

SUMMER READING

KICK OFF PARTY

Friday, May 24, 1 PM - 6 PM

**Email sandresen@spenceriowacity.com
for more information!**

Adult Programs

Geri-Fit
Mon & Fri at 1:00 PM
**No Geri-Fit May 24 & 27*



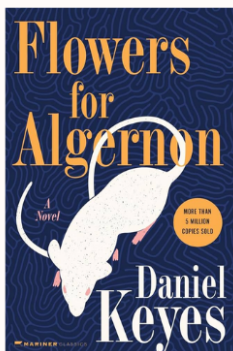
Join us for a senior fitness class. Gain muscle and improve your balance! Every Monday and Friday at 1:00 PM. Call ahead to reserve a spot.

Coffee & Conversation
May 16, 2:00 PM



IOWA STATE
UNIVERSITY
Extension and Outreach

Join the Clay County Extension Office for coffee and treats as we discuss common scams and how to protect yourself against fraud.



Banned Book Discussion
Flowers for Algernon by Daniel Keyes
May 20, 6:00 PM

A heart wrenching story about a mentally disabled man who takes part in an experiment to increase his intelligence. This popular 1960s book is on the most challenged book list of the 1990s. Read it for yourselves! Books are available for checkout at the front desk.



Summer Reading Program Kick-Off
May 24, 1:00 - 6:00 PM

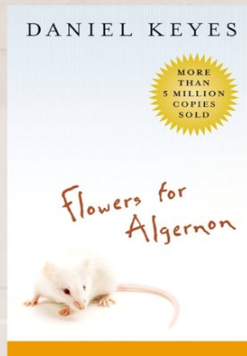
All ages can sign-up for our 2024 Summer Reading Program! You can either track your reading online through Beanstack or on paper. Stop by the library between 1 and 6 to sign-up, create a craft, and eat popcorn!

Adults and Teens: Pick up your kit for our upcoming Art Show!



BANNED BOOK DISCUSSION

Monday, May 20, 6:00pm



"THE BELOVED, CLASSIC STORY OF A MENTALLY DISABLED MAN WHOSE EXPERIMENTAL QUEST FOR INTELLIGENCE MIRRORS THAT OF ALGERNON, AN EXTRAORDINARY LAB MOUSE. IN POIGNANT DIARY ENTRIES, CHARLIE TELLS HOW A BRAIN OPERATION INCREASES HIS IQ AND CHANGES HIS LIFE. AS THE EXPERIMENTAL PROCEDURE TAKES EFFECT, CHARLIE'S INTELLIGENCE EXPANDS UNTIL IT SURPASSES THAT OF THE DOCTORS WHO ENGINEERED HIS METAMORPHOSIS. THE EXPERIMENT SEEMS TO BE A SCIENTIFIC BREAKTHROUGH OF PARAMOUNT IMPORTANCE--UNTIL ALGERNON BEGINS HIS SUDDEN, UNEXPECTED DETERIORATION. WILL THE SAME HAPPEN TO CHARLIE?"



AIMEE'S TECH TALKS INTERNET SECURITY

How safe are your passwords?
Is your internet shopping secure?
Do you need expensive antivirus programs?
Find out how to protect yourself!
Learn how to identify common scams!

THURSDAY
MAY 30
2:30PM



For more information contact
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or call 712-580-7290



DATES TO REMEMBER

KIDS

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TUESDAYS AT 10:00 AM

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TUESDAYS AT 5:30 PM

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ADULTS

GERI-FIT: MONDAYS & FRIDAYS AT 1:00 PM
NO GERI-FIT MAY 24TH OR MAY 27TH

JUST WRITE: ALL AGES WRITING GROUP
TUESDAYS AT 5:30 PM

COFFEE & CONVERSATION
THURSDAY, MAY 16TH AT 2:00 PM

BANNED BOOK DISCUSSION:
FLOWERS FOR ALGERNON BY DANIEL KEYES
MONDAY, MAY 20TH AT 6:00 PM

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WEEKLY EVENTS

STORYTIME: TUESDAYS AT 10:00 AM
DROP-IN TECH HELP: WEDNESDAYS AT 1:30 PM
GERI-FIT: MONDAYS & FRIDAYS 1:00 PM
JUST WRITE: TUESDAYS AT 5:30 PM

ALL AGES EVENTS

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COME & GO
MAY 24TH FROM 1:00 TO 6:00 PM

UPCOMING HOLIDAY HOURS

MAY 27TH **CLOSED**
MEMORIAL DAY

SPENCER PUBLIC LIBRARY

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